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Free Admission on Saturday, September 26 at DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge in celebration of National Public Lands Day

When: Saturday, September 26, 2015 Where: DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge

Who: Contact DeSoto Visitor Services at 712/388-4800

DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge will waive entrance fees on Saturday, September 26 in celebration of National Public Lands Day, the nation's largest hands-on volunteer effort to improve and enhance the public lands that Americans enjoy. Fee free days are offered throughout the year on public lands to encourage Americans to explore national parks, national wildlife refuges, national forests, and other public lands that offer a place to get outdoors, learn about our nation's history and culture, and restore our spirits.

Other fee free days at DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge in 2015 include:

- October 11: The first day of National Wildlife Refuge Week
- November 11: Veterans Day

The nation's 563 national wildlife refuges and 38 wetland management districts welcomes over 45 million visitors each year. Visitors participate in activities such as fishing, hunting, wildlife observation, birding, interpretive hikes, and photographing iconic wildlife in their natural setting.

DeSoto & Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuges are located north of Omaha, Nebraska. DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge is located south of U.S. Highway 30 between Missouri Valley, Iowa and Blair, Nebraska. Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge, managed by staff at DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge, is located east of U.S. Highway 75 near Ft. Calhoun, Nebraska. Check our websites, www.fws.gov/refuge/desoto/ or www.fws.gov/refuge/boyer_chute/, for refuge updates. Like us on Facebook - search for DeSoto and Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuges. For more information please contact 712/388-4800 or email the refuge at desoto@fws.gov.

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